The following reports were ordered to be printed:

## REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY.

Sixteen meetings of the Academy were held during the past year, with an average attendance of fifty-two. Communications, for the most part illustrated with lantern views, were made by Henry Skinner, George Vaux, Jr., William S. Vaux, Jr., Stewardson Brown, Arthur Erwin Brown, Witmer Stone, John W. Harshberger. William P. Wilson, Edwin G. Conklin, Henry Leffman, Benjamin Sharp, George Wood, Henry E. Wetherill, Harvey M. Watts, Mrs. Charles Schaeffer and Miss Mary J. Holmes. But few of these were reported for publication in the PROCEEDINGS.

Twenty-seven papers were presented for publication as follows: Henry W. Fowler, 5; J. Percy Moore, 4; James A. G. Rehn, 3; James A. G. Rehn and Morgan Hebard, 1; Henry A. Pilsbry, 2; Henry A. Pilsbry and C. M. Cook, Jr., 1; Benjamin C. Tilghman, 1; E. A. Andrews, 1; Ralph V. Chamberlain, 1; N. M. Stevens and A. M. Boring, 1; Burnett Smith, 1; Henry C. Oberholser, 1; J. F. McClendon, 1; R. J. Lechmere Guppy, 1; N. E. McIndoo, 1; W. S. Blatchley, 1; Nathan Banks, 1. Three of these were returned to the authors, the others were accepted for publication in the Proceedings, of which one number for 1905 and two for 1906 have been issued and distributed.

Seven hundred and fifteen pages of the Proceedings have been published, illustrated by fifteen plates. The Entomological Section has published four hundred and four pages with fifteen plates of the Entomological News and two hundred and forty-seven pages with five plates of the Transactions of the American Entomological Society (Entomological Section of the Academy). Two hundred and seventy-two pages with thirty-four plates have been issued of the Manual of Conchology. This makes a total of sixteen hundred and thirty-eight pages and sixty-nine plates published during the year under the auspices of the Academy.

The President was appointed to represent the Academy at the celebration by the American Philosophical Society of the two hundredth anniversary of the birthday of Benjamin Franklin.

A satisfactory design for the new Hayden Memorial Medal has at last been submitted and approved. The artist has been engaged on the work since September, 1905. Whether the time that has elapsed

has been due to the eccentricities of the artistic temperament or a press of other engagements is not known, but it is believed that the beauty of the result will compensate for the delay. The new medal will certainly be a great improvement on the one awarded since 1890, the portrait of Hayden on the obverse being much more accurate than could have been hoped for from the photographs available, while the design of the reverse, replacing the unsatisfactory view of the Grand Cañon, is gracefully emblematic. The die will, it is hoped, be promptly engraved, so that the medal, so long due, may be conveyed to Dr. Walcott.

Mr. Fox has rendered effective assistance in the issue and distribution of the Proceedings.

Edward J. Nolan, Recording Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

During the past year the deaths of the following correspondents were announced from the chair: Baron C. R. von der Osten-Sacken, Elisée F. Reelus, Prof. Eugéne Renevier, Dionys Stur, and Dr. Henry A. Ward. No correspondents were elected.

Notices of the deaths of seven scientific men of prominence were received and suitably acknowledged in letters of condolence.

There were received invitations to participate in the Tenth International Geological Congress, the International Congress for the Study of Polar Regions, the First International Congress of Oceanography, the Fifth International Congress of Obstetrics and Gynæcology, the Prehistoric Congress of France, the Congress of the Latino-Slavic League, the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the foundation of the Academy of Science of St. Louis, the celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin and the Dedication of the Engineering Building of the University of Pennsylvania. Except to the last two, no delegates were appointed by the Academy. The invitations were acknowledged by appropriate expressions of interest and regret or congratulation. At the last two gatherings the Academy was represented by its President, on behalf of whom also the Corresponding Secretary accepted his appointment by the Society of Physical and Natural Sciences of Bordeaux as delegate to the Franklin celebration.

A number of circulars announcing changes in the organization or staffs were received from learned societies and museums, and various